

## 5 Biggest Controversies in Sports in 2024



**5 biggest controversies in sports in 2024:** The year 2024 has been very good for the Indian sports world, in which under the captaincy of Rohit Sharma, Team India won the T20 World Cup jointly hosted by West Indies and USA, while in chess, D Gukesh defeated China's Ding Liren and won the title of World Champion.

Indian athletes also shone in the Paris Olympics, in which Neeraj Chopra won the silver medal, while Manu Bhaker managed to win 2 medals in shooting. However, there were some controversies throughout the year which also made a lot of headlines, in which we are going to tell you about the 5 biggest controversies of Indian sports in the year 2024.

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### 5 - Dispute between Igor Stimac and AIFF



This has been a tough year for Indian football in which it could not even qualify for the FIFA World Cup to be held in the year 2026. In view of the poor performance of Team India, the All India Football Federation (AIFF) sacked head coach Igor Stimac and also terminated his contract. Stimac had criticized the AIFF and its president Kalyan Chaubey a lot after this decision. He also approached FIFA claiming that his dues were not paid. Later the AIFF paid the outstanding amount of US \$ 400,000 to the coach.

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#### **4 - Antim Panghal's return home from Paris Olympics**



Indian wrestler Antim Panghal had to return to the country for ignoring the rules. Panghal had given his official recognition card to his sister to get out of the sports village, which was completely against the rules and he had to face disciplinary action, in which she immediately left for the country.

### **3 - Ishan Kishan and Shreyas Iyer dropped from BCCI Central Contract**



Shreyas Iyer and Ishan Kishan were dropped by the BCCI from its Central Contract Players list earlier in the year. Both of them were excluded from the central contract for not following the BCCI's instructions to play domestic cricket while being out of the Indian team. Kishan took a break from cricket for personal reasons during the South Africa tour in December, but he was seen training in Baroda with Hardik Pandya.

He returned to play the DY Patil T20 tournament, but did not play domestic cricket for Jharkhand. At the same time, Iyer was dropped from the Indian team during the home Test series against England and was expected to be available for Mumbai in the Ranji Trophy. Instead, he said he had a pain in his shoulder and missed the match. Meanwhile, the NCA declared him fit and later both were dropped from the central contract by the BCCI.

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## **2 - Controversy between Sanjiv Goenka and KL Rahul**





KL Rahul and Sanjiv Goenka came into the limelight for their on-field conversation after a match during the 2024 edition of the Indian Premier League. Actually when Lucknow Super Giants lost to Sunrisers Hyderabad in a match. It was an important match for LSG, but due to the excellent batting of Travis Head and Abhishek Sharma, Lucknow had to face a one-sided defeat.

After the match was over, Lucknow team captain KL Rahul was seen talking to LSG owner Sanjiv Goenka, which reportedly seemed very strange. At that time Goenka was seen reprimanding Rahul and the incident had created a big controversy, in which many fans also criticized Sanjiv Goenka for publicly humiliating the Indian cricketer.

## **1 - Vinesh Phogat disqualified before final in Paris Olympics**



In the year 2024, the Olympic Games were organized in Paris, the capital of France, in which Indian female wrestler Vinesh Phogat, who had qualified for the final, was disqualified just before the gold medal match due to being just 100 grams overweight. After this decision, there was a lot of anger in the whole country.

However, later as per the rules, she was disqualified on the morning of the final for being just 100 grams overweight. She appealed against this decision in the Court of Arbitration for Sports (CAS), but their decision also came against Phogat, whose dream of winning a medal was completely shattered. Phogat announced her retirement from wrestling after this decision came.

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